



## **Autism Spectrum Disorder: What we know & What we can do!**

Dr. Shira A. Ackerman,  
Northwest Autism Center  
Quinanna Robins, BCBA, SL Start

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) affects up to 1 in 100 individuals born in the United States each year. There is no known cause or cure for ASD, however, there are many scientific and research based strategies for effective instruction that can be implemented within the public school system. This course will provide information about ASD as well as research based strategies for instruction, interactions, and development.

### **Learning Objectives:**

- Participants will be able to identify features and challenges of autism spectrum disorder.
- Participants will learn practical and effective practices to help address communication, social, behavioral, and cognitive challenges.
- Participants will gain an understanding of current approaches for working with individuals on the autism spectrum, the research behind them, and their practical applications in the classroom environment.

**March 10, 2012**  
**Holy Names Music Center**  
**9:30 - 1:30**  
**\$20/ 4-clock hours**  
**Contact the Music Center @ 509-326-9516**

